



2015 Application Checklist

Please provide all the items listed below for the application process. Only **completed** packets will be reviewed by the SWIFT office. The application packet may be mailed (postal) or hand-delivered.

Application Materials Required:

1. Completed application form
2. A **cohesive and compelling** typewritten personal statement (250 words) which addresses the following questions:
 - a. Why are you interested in weather?
 - b. What do you hope to learn from the weather camp?
 - c. Why should you be accepted into the weather camp?
(please add anything else that we should know about you)
3. One Teacher Recommendation (your science or math teacher would be an excellent choice). Please use the attached recommendation form. (These should be provided by non-family members).

AZ Science Center charges a camp fee (\$135 members/\$165 non-members), due by the start date of classes. There are a limited amount of scholarships available through the Arizona Science Center. For more scholarship information please contact camps@azscience.org.

Do NOT include the camp fee in the application.

Completed Application Packets must be postmarked by May 15, 2015.

- ✓ Remember to fill out the application form in its entirety.
- ✓ Print or type your information neatly on the application form.
- ✓ This is a **competitive** process with a limited number of available seats. Considerable weight will be given to the letters of recommendation and the personal statement.

Send completed packets to:

Dr. Erin Saffell
Mesa Community College
1833 W. Southern Avenue Bldg SC 14
Mesa, AZ 85202

Call Dr. Saffell at 480-461-7035 or email saffell@meascc.edu if you have any questions.

SWIFT WEATHER CAMP APPLICATION

Only U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents may apply due to government funding requirements.

Please read information carefully and type or print ALL information clearly in blue or black ink.

PERSONAL DATA

Name	
[Last]	[First] [Middle Initial]
Current Address (city, state, and zip code)	
Birthdate (age verification)	Personal Email Address
Home Phone Number	Cell Phone Number
Name of Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian Address (if different from Current Address)
Parent/Guardian Daytime Number / Cell Phone Number	Parent/Guardian Email Address

ACADEMIC STATUS in FALL: Grade Level 8 ____ 9 ____

Current School (Name & Mailing Address)

School Phone Number	School Fax Number
Overall Cumulative GPA/scale (ex. 3.50/4.00)	On a separate page, please list any honors or advanced classes taken, if any. Tell us about any school honors, activities, team memberships, and/or awards received.
Guidance Counselor	
_____ Signature	_____ Printed Name

Counselor's Telephone Number	Counselor's Email Address
During camp, you will participate in field trips that require the use of public transportation (e.g. light rail). Do you agree to participate? _____ YES _____ NO	How did you learn about the SWIFT Weather Camp? (e.g., school, science fair, organization (name), family, friend, flyer, Arizona Science Center)

Career Interests (use an additional page if necessary)
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I have read and understand the description and eligibility criteria for the SWIFT Weather Camp. I give SWIFT permission to review my child's academic materials submitted for consideration.

Parent or Guardian's Signature:

Printed Name:

Date:

SWIFT Weather Camp 2015 Student Application

Application Postmark Deadline is May 15, 2015

Teacher Recommendation Form

Teacher Name _____

Subject _____

Directions to teacher:

The student who has given you this form is applying to attend the SWIFT Weather Camp at Arizona Science Center. Upon completion, **please put the recommendation form/letter in a sealed envelope and write your name across the sealed flap so that your comments remain private.** Please return the sealed envelope to the student, or mail to:

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Student Name: _____

Please mark the appropriate column for each of the following statements:	All the time	Often	Sometimes	Never
This student was eager to learn				
This student was late to class				
This student cared about other students				
This student turned in homework and projects on time				
This student participated in hands-on activities				
This student participated in co-curricular activities (science fair, drama, student council, etc.)				
This student volunteered to help other students				
This student was an asset to the class				

Would you like to teach this student in another class? Yes Maybe No

Please share additional comments about the student on the back of this form or attach a recommendation letter. **Your comments are especially useful in the selection process!** Thank you.